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SC Forum Held

On Thursday, November 2, the second meeting of the Student Council Forums was held. Although it was slightly more successful than the first forum, only twelve students attended. The purpose of these forums is to give students a chance to express their grievances and reactions to happenings in the school. Despite the lack of participation, Preaident Frank Ostroff plans to continue the forums. He feels that the students are still trying to get used to the atmosphere of school, and that, in time, they will start to take an interest in MN and in the workings of Student Council. To prepare for future forums, Student Council plans to take action on specific projects. These projects will then be presented for discussion at the forums.

Alumni Homecoming Held

Saturday, November 11, brought Homecoming for the MN fighting Tigers. The highlight of the day was the selection of a new Homecoming Queen. Candidates for this honor were Debbie Mead, Diana Altschuler, Kim Miller, and Lori Hagadorn. With halftime came the announcement of the winner-Debbie Mead. She was presented with a crown and flowers and was driven around the track. A charm bracelet and television set were also given to the winner.

The game resumed with the Tigers leading 6-0. Another touchdown and conversion made it 14-0, the final score. Another victory for the fighting Tigers.

Diary Of Anne Frank Good But Not Great

Writing play reviews is probably the most frustrating thing I've ever done and plays like The Diary of Anne Frank make it so. It should have been a fantastic play, all the component parts were there. The acting was superb, in fact in many cases cast members turned in the best performances of their high school careers. The characterizations of Mr. and Mrs. Van Daan done by Scoot Searfoss and Debbie Boonin are especially to be treasured. The set was also excellent, portraying effectively the cramped quarters in which the eight fugitives spent two years. The extensive use of sound effects contributed to a feeling of realism. In general all the pieces, taken separately, would indicate an overwhelmingly successful presentation.

So what am I complaining about? What gripe have I dug up this time? My complaint lies not with what the play actually was, but rather, with what it might have been.

It could have been a magnificently gripping, stupendous production. It was not. At best it was a good play. It was a vague, uncertain "something's-not-quite-right" feeling that disturbed me most. I am not searching for theatrical perfection. I gave up that pointless search long ago. No, I am simply looking at the potential that was present in The Diary of Anne Frank, superb acting, a skillfully handled technical aspect and most of all, a wonderful play to work with, and asking what these things didn't reflect strongly in the final product. The truth is, considering what there was to work with, The Diary of Anne Frank could have been even better.

The strength of The Diary of Anne Frank lies in the strong emotional bond it creates between cast and audience. Unfortun ately this electric link was all but severed in the Senior Class play. A pronounced dragging or lack of continuity throughout many acts, slow scene changes, and the lack of transition from the comic to the tragic; all these things helped prevent the viewer from really immersing himself in the action. These unhappy circumstances kept the full effect of the play from shining through.

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Charity Drive Results In

Final results of this year's Charity Drive have been calculated. MN has raised approximately 1971 dollars. The Senior class collected the most money, $1,009.18. The Junior class donated $507.23 and the Sophomore class donated $161.05. Approximately $200 was donated from outside sources. However, about $200 dollars must be subtracted for expenses including the rental of the movie, the bicycle, and publicity. Thus, the school collected only approximately 1771 dollars.

Last week our school was presented with a plaque by a representative from the American Cancer Society after Linda Luke presented our check donation. According to Linda, chairman of the Charity Drive, "The Charity Drive was pretty successful. However, we could have done a lot better. There are over 2,000 students in our school and if everyone had just given one dollar, we could have surpassed our goal, especially since one out of every four people dies of cancer.

MN Band Assn. Holds Pancake Day

The Marple Newtown Band Association held its annual Pancake Day on Saturday, November 11. Pancakes, coffee, sausages, milk, and juice were sold for $1.25 from 10:00A.M. to 7:00P.M. Band members thank the community for their help in making a successful Pancake Day.

THE TIGER'S EYE

The following paragraphs are an excerpt from a paper which was found in the ruins of the Mar News Room.

...But enough for the causes of the war. There is a battle in progress outside in the hall and I can hardly hear myself think. Here is the present overall situation.

The BRAINS have most of the power now. They have taken over the Math, Science, and English departments, that is to say the resource and planning centers. They also have control of the Mar News, Yearbook, and MNBC rooms. But their main command post is in the Computer Room. The BRAINS do not go in for the all-out physical battles. Instead they peck away at the JOCKS with things like sabotage and hit-and-run raids. The BRAINS' defense is a sophisticated, complex network of scanners planted around the school which feed into the computer. The computer analyzes the data and suggests the best action to be taken. So far it has proved to be quite successful.

The JOCKS, on the other hand, are a different kind of group. Their strongholds are in the gym area and the music department and the auditorium. They rather like the open all-out battles. Their superior number and strength give them the advantage in this kind of situation. The JOCKS constantly maintain patrols in the hallways in order to keep and eye on things.

Student Council has been quite unsuccesful in trying to end the war. This is mainly because both factions are equally represented and nothing can be accompliahed. Even the president, Yank Oxmot, has been known to accept bribes from both sides.

The present battle has been going on for about fifteen minutes now. It started when two patrols encountered each other. As the fighting broke out one could hear yells of "EAT 'EM RAW!" and "REMEMBER JONATHAN JACOBS!" The weaker BRAINS have been pushed into this room and it seems now that we are tra...

MY MARK

FACULTY FORUM

Fact: Next to the common cold, venereal disease is the most common infectious disease in the United States today. Fact: With proper diagnosis and treatment, venereal disease can be promptly and completely cured. Fact: With enlightened recognition of the venereal disease epidemic, our youth and their futures can be spared the problems caused by venereal disease.

These facts prompted me, as I had imagined they would all educators, to take steps to insure that our high school program included a relevant study of venereal disease. Upon discovering that there is absolutely no information given to sophomores or juniors about these diseases, I and others organized an assembly program that was designed to fill the existing void. It never occurred to me that any educator would

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Congratulations

Boy of the Month - Andy Strazds

Girl of the Month- Marjorie Ackerman

Student of the Month - Kim Miller

DAR Citizenship Award-Nancy Gussow

Ken Bradford

Ben Eskenazi - for being selected to the 1972 All-Central League Soccer Team.

Andy Strazds and Bryn Williams - for receiving honorable mentions from the All-Central League Soccer Team.

Ed Cini and Joe Turner-Back and Lineman of the Week.

Candy Machine Replaced

Whether or not you are aware of it, the candy machine in the back lobby was stolen-or kindly misplaced-5 weeks ago Monday. It was missing for a week before Mr. Shafer found it behind the screen in Room 122, the Large Group Instruction Room. Fortunately, nothing was stolen from the machine, and it was not damaged.

From The Editors' Desk

"The day we get no complaints, that means we have a dull newspaper," said the editor of the Detroit Daily News.

The last issue of the Mar News was an object of criticism for many of our readers. We received numerous comments on two aspects of the paper in particular. The first concerned the inclusion of political articles. One of the purposes of a school newspaper is to inform the students of school, community, national, and world wide affairs. The '72 Presidential election was a major concern of most Americans. Therefore, we felt it was appropriate to express varying views on the candidates. We wish to clarify the fact, that we did not discriminate against any one candidate.

The second objective of a school newspaper is to entertain. In our last issue we published a song that was meant solely as a source of entertainment. Many faculty members misinterpreted our intentions and misread the poem. They felt that this song served to widen the gap between teachers and students and condone the use of drugs. Unfortunately, these people delved deeper into the meaning of the song than was anticipated. Once again we'd like to emphasize that the purpose of this song was to amuse.

Let us conclude with the following fact:

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Nancy Gussow and
Ellen Ginsburg

Letters To The Editor

Dear Editors,

Last week Mar News overstepped the bounds of a school publication and proceeded into an area which is obviously inappriopriate for a school newspaper. The story which I am referring to is the coverage of the presidential election. An article of this kind not only causes bad feelings between students who disagree on their choice of a candidate, it also distracts students who are trying to get an education. Whatever happened to relevant news like the recent football game or boy and girl of the month? How are students going to know what Mrs. Smith's English class is doing when such nonsense as the pros and cons of the presidential candidates is taking up all the space in the paper? Such a controversial subject as the election of the President of the United States surely has no place in Marple Newtown. It is a very sad state of affairs when students who are trying to get an education in high school are actually given the opportunity to think.

An annoyed student

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Teachers Switch Lunch Room

There has been a recent addition to the lunchroom situation. What used to be the teachers' lunchroom is now open for student use. Teachers now eat in room 110.

Most teachers are not happy eating in Room 110. Mr. Hadavas said, "I don't like it. I really miss the excitement, clamour, and color of the cafeteria. It's like a morgue in there and my appetite had suffered. I see no reason for moving the location. I liked it before."

Another point, was added by Mr. Hadavas' student teacher, Mr. Munro. His grievances are shared by other teachers. "Room 110 is too far from the food. The tables are uncomfortable and it's difficult to return trays. It is much too cramped."

When asked her opinion, Miss Smith replied, "oh, it is so horrible! The desks are dirty and the seating is like that of a prison. Of course this is true in the students' cafeteria also. It is vicer-producing because by the time we get our food and walk down the hall, we have about seven minutes to eat! We definitely need a new cafeteria for both students and teachers."

On the other hand, Mr. Chalker likes the new location because it's nice and quiet.

Mr. Shaffer explained that relocating the teachers was a necessity, not a convenience. The enrollment of our school has risen to 2050 students. The cafeteria was overcrowded. The administration felt that the teachers' lunchroom would provide the necessary additional eating area for students. This new eating situation will remain until student enrollment decreases.

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relegate venereal disease to the back burner while the problems increased.

Yet, in an unexplained and clearly uninformed decision, the administration vetoed the assembly program curiously reasoning that no program was the beat way to treat a serious health threat. I cannot argue that the Penn State Orchestra and the Navy Band are not entertaining. But if it is a function of schools to educate, then some attention should be given to the day-to-day needs of the students.

When the administration declares itself supreme arbiter in the health program available to the school, one would hope that a slightly more realistic viewpoint might be taken. For while the adminiatration pretends that there is no problem, it is the students, in the final analysis, who will suffer.

Ms. Stopford

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Dec. 10 Toccatas, preludes, and fugues

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Hockey Club Wins First Game

The M.N Ice Hockey Club will open its fourth season in the Interscholastic Hockey League on December 9. Their season runs until March 24 with 19 scheduled games. On October 19, the club was chilled by the Panthers in the first of six preseason games, 10-1. Jim Lazzarotti scored the only M.N. goal. M.N. won the second preseason match with Interboro, 8-3. Jim Lazzarotti proved to be the outstanding player of this game also, scoring a "hat trick" and assisting twice. The other M.N. goal scorers were Chuckie Gross, who tallied twice, Ed McKena, Doug Adams, and Neal Kovnat. MN had 37 shots on goal to Interboro's 18.

Ice Hockey practices are held at the Radnor Skating Rink, and games are played at the University of Pennsylvania. Ice hockey is an expensive sport. The players must purchase their own equipment and pay a $2.00 fee for each game. The club plans to hold its 3rd annual atudent va. faculty game during mid-season.

Returning to the 72-73 team are seniors Tim Kerrigan and Steve Petrison. Also returning as this year's coach is Marshall McGlovekin. Mr. Wagner is faculty adviaor. The skating Tigers are again fighting for a high spot in the ICSHL.

Runners Finish Third

On Monday October 19, the Cross Country Central League Meet was held at Valley Forge Park. Our Cross Country team did not fare too well. Out of the nine teams entered in the competition, Marple Newtown finished 8th, just beating out Penncrest, who finished last.

At the Central League meet last year Marple Newtown finished 3rd and Mr. Pitt, the coach of the team, reflects that this year's turnout of participants for the Cross Country team is the reason for the poor standing.

The District Meet was held on Saturday, October 24, in the pouring rain. Out of the 40 teams entered in the meet, Marple Newtown finished 22nd. The one oright spot for the team was Don Ford, who finished with the 33rd best time out of 175 runners.

Mr. Pitt hopes that the team will fare better next season and urges all boys who want to run to try out for the team.

Bessie G. Parker

The Penny
Candy Store

Tigers Preserve Central League Lead

The race for the Central League football Championship became closer and tighter after events on Saturday, November 4. MN's first place hold on the tough Central League was reduced to half a game as our Tigers lost its first league game to Radnor, 15-13, and Springfield tied Ridley.

Marple fans watched a fired-up Radnor team surprise the Tigers in a game that took place on a chilly, overcast Saturday afternoon. The first quarter provided little excitement and no scoring as both offenses were held back.Neither team could manage a first down. In the second quarter Radnor's defense seemed to freeze the Tigers for a while, but the ice was finally broken as Joe Basile burst through for a 40--yard gain to the Radnor 10. Ken Bradford scored the games first touchdown on an end sweep. Dave Myles'extra point gave the Tigers a 7-0 lead. With less than a minute to go in the half, however, Radnor came back to score on an unusual play. The Raider quarterback headed around end, gave the ball to flanker Andy Banks, who in turn threw a touchdown pass to wide-open Reggie Robinson. A two point conversion dealt Marple its first defeat in Central League action as the half ended with Radnor leading, 8-7.

Defense was the name of the game in the third quarter, but with three minutes left, the Tigers created another threat.Ray DeCecco's fumble recovery and carries by Bradford and Mike Campbell put Marple into scoring position as the quarter ended. Campbell then fought his way into the end zone for the TD.

Radnor didn't give up, however, and their efforts paid off. After working their way to the Tiger 18, Radnor's quarterback hit Reggie Robinson for his second touchdown of the day. The extra point was good, and Radnor now led 15-13 . The Radnor defense protected this lead, and the game ended with this score.

One week later, on Saturday morning, November 11, the Tigers bounced back by trouncing Ridley, 14-0. After a scoreless first half, Marple became its old self again and came on strong in the second half. Ken Bradford made it 6-0 as he plunged into the end zone from the two-yard line. In the final quarter, Mark Morgera's interception started a drive which resulted in Mike Campbell's smacking over the goal line for the second TD. A two point conversion attempt was successful,and the game ended with the Tigers on top, 14-0. In other Central League action Conestoga defeated Upper Darby and Radnor knocked Springfield out of contention by defeating the Cougars, 21-6.

Girls Hockey Ends

The girls' hockey team has successfully finished the 1972 season. On Nov. 2, the Varsity team shut out Lower Merion 4-0. Scoring for the Varsity were Marion McConnell, Jean Schaeffer, and Lori Hagadorn. The J.V. complemented the Varsity by defeating Lower Merion 5-0. Goals were scored by Nancy Nedurian, Lois Deming,Donna Artzeronian and Ginger Gorrell. The varsity's final record was 4-3-1 and the J.V.'s was 3-3-2. On Oct.31, the third and fourth teams ended their season with a 2-2 tie and a 0-0 tie respectively against a strong Ridley team.Scoring for the 3rd team was Sue Gorman.The 3rd team's final record was 4-2-0and the 4th team's was 3-3-0. The girls should all be commended for doing an excellent job this season.

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The Diary of Anne Frank still has much to tell us, nevertheless. It speaks eloquently of man's inhumanity, his selfishness, pettiness, and his cruelty, but it also sings of his humanity. Anne's hope and courage lie within us all, however deeply they may be buried. We can be inspired by her eternal courage in the face of unbelievable hardship. She found joy simply by being alive. How many of us can do that?

Anne wanted to be a good writer so she could live on after her death. She had no time to become a master of the language, yet she performed a more valuable service. Through her simple words she gives all the hope and faith in her heart to us, to any that will listen. She does live on, within us.

Girls Swimming Underway

The seventy girls you have seen swimming after school since November 8 all have the same goal in mind. That goal is to be one of the forty members of the Girl's Swimming Team. Mrs Johnson, the coach of the team, looks forward to this season in hopes of trying to better last years record of 5-4. The team, which now consists of girls from the ninth to twelth grades will compete in meets until the end of February.

Boys Start Swimming Practice

Marple Newtown's boys' swimming team has begun practicing in preparation for the 1972-73 season. Under the direction of new coach Allan Jones, the swimmers are working out using a training system that utilizes both in-the-pool practice and a weight training program. Although the team's first official meet is not until January, the team is busy getting ready to try to make this season a successful one.

The team holds two practices daily, one in the morning before school and one after school. Swimming is more of an individual sport, and lots of hard work and determination is needed in order to be successful. If the determination is there, the hard work becomes a little easier.

At present the swimming schedule consists of three practice meets and seven actual meets. Central League opponents include: Radnor, Lower Merion, Upper Darby, Conestoga, and Haverford. These meets will follow preseason meets with Methacton, Malvern Prep,and Salesianum, all recognized swimming powers. Come support your swim team!

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